

(a) whether the number of prospective candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes available in the employment market, discipline-wise is always very low as compared with the number of vacancies in scientific, technical, or specialised posts reserved for them, at any given point of time;

(b) if so, how will such reserved vacancies be filled on the strength mere advertisements and circulation of information regarding reserved vacancies, unless candidates are prepared and trained sufficiently in advance;

(c) whether any of the existing training institutions or programmes cater to specific requirements; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI-MATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table to the House.

Report Of C.A.G. On The Working Of Doordarshan And Air

6778. SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the new-item captioned "CAG flays CRPF & DD for financial bunglings" appearing in the Indian Express dated August 8, 1991;

(b) if so, the facts thereof regarding doordarshan;

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to remedy the situation and also against the persons found responsible therefor; and

(d) the number of times in the past the Comptroller and Auditor General submitted adverse report on the working of the Doordarshan and A.I.R. and the reasons for the continuance of those irregularities till now?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARIGIRJAVYAS):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The report of C&AG mainly brings out some procedural deficiencies and some omissions on the part of Doordarshan in relation to some of their activities.

(c) and (d) The functioning of Government Departments including All India Radio and Doordarshan is gone into by the Comptroller and Auditor General on a continuing basis. The recommendations contained in the Reports of the C&AG presented to Parliament from time to time are duly considered and appropriate follow-up action is taken in respect of those recommendations.

Funds For Development Of Science And Technology

6779. SHRI DHARMANNA MONDAYA SADUL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount earmarked by the Union Government to each State for promotion and development of Science and Technology during 1990-91 and 1991-92;

(b) whether the amount earmarked for the State of Maharashtra during 1990-91 has been utilised fully;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI-MATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) The provisions for promotion and development of Science and Technology are made in the Union Budget in terms of programmes and schemes and there is no pre-determined State-wise allocation.

(b) to (d) In view of answer to part (a) above, questions do not arise.

Import Of Newsprint

6780. SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA:
SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity and value of newsprint imported during 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91;

(b) the installed capacity and actual production by each of the newsprint public sector units during the year 1990-91 and the extent of shortage to meet the demand in the country; and

(c) the time by which the country is expected to become self-sufficient in this regard to meet the entire demand of this item?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARIGIRIJA VYAS):
(a) The quantity and value of imported newsprint, year-wise is as under:

<i>Financial Year</i>	<i>Quantity (lakh tonnes)</i>	<i>CIF value (Rs. in crores)</i>
1	2	3
1988-89	2.24	223.45
1989-90	2.24	253.86
1990-91	2.26	276.02

<i>(b) Name of the Mill</i>	<i>Installed capacity (tonnes)</i>	<i>Actual production (tonnes)</i>
1. Nepa Ltd.	88,000	75,512
2. Hindustan News print Ltd. (KERALA)	80,000	90,387
3. Mysore Papers Ltd.	75,000	75,003
4. Tamil Nadu Newsprint Papers Ltd.	50,000	39,065